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Welcome to The Weekly Geek

This is a new e-newsletter from the Information & Instructional Technology Departments at Dakota County Technical College. Each week will have a different technology related topic.

Fancy (e)Book Learnin'



As the weather gets chillier, the idea of a comfy chair, a warm cup of coffee and a good book to while away the afternoon sounds better and better. Yep, that would be a great, until you realize you just finished your last book and now you need to get bundled up and drive to the bookstore or library to pick up that latest release from your favorite author if they haven't sold the last one or have a month-long wait list to check it out.

If you had a fancy new e-reader or tablet computer you could get that new book without even having to change out of your comfy sweatpants. (No, you really shouldn't wear those to the store – just because the teenagers are wearing them doesn't mean you should – just saying. No, not even to Wal-Mart)

Here are some buyer guide resources if you are thinking about getting an e-reader or tablet computer. Attached you will find the rating report cards from Consumer Reports for the latest tablet and e-readers.

Consumer Reports E-reader buying guide
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